UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE) MDL No. 1456
LITIGATION	_) CIVIL ACTION: 01-CV-12257-PBS
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO ALL CLASS ACTIONS) Judge Patti B. Saris)

SUPPLEMENTAL FACTS IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO COMPEL DEPOSITION OF ERIK Q. SCHULTZ AND FOR ORDER ASSESSING FEES AND COSTS

On July 28, 2005, Plaintiffs filed their Motion To Compel the deposition of Erik Q. Schultz (a former AstraZeneca employee) and for an Order assessing fees and costs based on Mr. Schultz's failure to appear for his deposition during the time that he was employed by AstraZeneca and in response to two subsequent Subpoenas served on his wife, and based on his attorney's interference with service. Although Plaintiffs do not believe that there was any deficiency in service (nor has Mr. Schultz or his attorney ever contacted Plaintiffs' counsel or this Court to lodge such an objection), in an abundance of caution, Plaintiffs arranged to have a Subpoena personally served on Mr. Schultz on July 31, 2005 ("Third Subpoena"). *See* Affidavit of Service, attached as Exhibit 1. Pursuant to the Third Subpoena, Mr. Schultz's deposition was scheduled for August 16, 2005. *Id*.

On August 10, 2005, in order to confirm Mr. Schultz's appearance at his deposition pursuant to the Third Subpoena, Plaintiffs' counsel sent a letter by overnight delivery to Mr.

Schultz's attorney, Timothy Kolman, Esq. *See* letter dated August 10, 2005, attached as Exhibit 2. The August 10 Letter provided:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Affidavit of Service showing personal service on Mr. Erik Schultz of the Subpoena for deposition and documents, scheduling his deposition for August 16, 2005 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

As I previously advised you by voicemail, if you wish to speak to me about this matter, please call my cell phone at 312-731-2433.

Id. Plaintiffs' counsel did not receive any response from Mr. Schultz or his attorney.

On Friday, August 12, 2005, Plaintiffs' counsel received a voicemail and e-mail message from counsel for AstraZeneca, Trisha Lawson. Ms. Lawson stated in her e-mail: "I called earlier to let you know that it is my understanding that it is Erik Schultz's position that he was not served with the subpoena and therefore does not intend to appear on Tuesday." *See* E-mail dated August 12, 2005, attached as Exhibit 3. When asked how she knew whether or not Mr. Schultz intended to appear (in order to assess whether or not Plaintiffs' counsel should nonetheless travel to Philadelphia from Chicago for the deposition), Ms. Lawson stated:

I spoke to them and was told that he would not be appearing Tuesday (and that he didn't get the subpoena). I said I was going to let you know.

I know your affidavit of service says he was personally served, but I wouldn't make the trip.

See e-mail dated August 13, 2005, attached as Exhibit 4.

Mr. Schultz's position continues to be wholly incredible and in direct contradiction to *three* Affidavits of Service from three process servers. *See* Affidavits of Service, attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and as Exhibits H and O to Plaintiffs' original motion. Mr. Schultz has no adequate excuse to disregard three Subpoenas. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 45(f). And, even if he believed he did have adequate excuse, he has completely failed to follow this Court's procedures for seeking

relief from the Subpoenas. *See Aetna Cas. & Sur. Co. v. Rodco Autobody*, 130 F.R.D. 2, 3 (D. Mass. 1990) ("If the witnesses considered that they had grounds not to appear, they were required to file a motion for a protective order.")

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth in Plaintiffs' Original Motion and based on the supplemental facts set forth above, Plaintiffs request that this Court grant Plaintiffs' Motion To Compel, order Erik Q. Schultz to appear for his deposition within 14 days, and award plaintiffs' costs and fees incurred in attempting to obtain Schultz's appearance for deposition.¹

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To the extent this order is entered at such a point that the ordered date for Mr. Schultz's deposition will occur after August 31, 2005, or the date Track One discovery concludes, Plaintiffs also respectfully request leave to conduct Mr. Schultz's deposition outside of that deadline.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I, Steve W. Berman, an attorney, caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing, SUPPLEMENTAL FACTS IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO COMPEL DEPOSITION OF ERIK Q. SCHULTZ AND FOR ORDER ASSESSING FEES AND COSTS to be delivered to all counsel of record by electronic service pursuant to Paragraph 11 of the Case Management Order No. 2, by sending on August 15, 2005, a copy to Verilaw Technologies for Posting and notification to all parties

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